

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): No.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): With reference to part (c), am I to understand that no minimum qualification has been fixed for the Director of Registration?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): So far as that appointment is concerned, no such restriction has been placed by Government. It is only in regard to District Registrars that a minimum qualification has been fixed.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): May I know whether it is not in view of the efficiency of service that the qualification of a graduate has been fixed as the minimum for the post of District Registrars?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): That question has not cropped up for consideration in this connection.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): Anyhow Government have fixed a minimum qualification in the case of District Registrars. May I know what was the consideration that induced them to fix such a minimum qualification?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): I think it was the consideration of efficiency.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): Am I to understand that, with regard to the post of Director of Registration, such efficiency is not necessary?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): That is a post which is far above the grade of District Registrars; and so, only men of tried efficiency and capacity will be appointed to that post.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): Am I to understand that it is irrespective of qualification?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): No such restriction in the matter of qualification has as yet been fixed for that post.

Revision of pay of Vernacular School Teachers.

203. MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): With reference to the revision of pay of the Vernacular School teachers sanctioned by the Government, will they be pleased to state:

- (a) when they intend to give effect to the same;
- (b) the cause for the delay; and
- (c) whether the Director of Public Instruction has recommended the appointment of a special staff in connection therewith, and, if so, what is its composition?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (a) and (b) The Government propose to give effect to the revision as early as possible.

(c) Yes. The special staff recommended by the Director of Public Instruction is as follows:—

- (1) An Educational Officer on the minimum pay of an Assistant Inspector of Schools with the usual deputation allowance and a consolidated travelling allowance of Rs. 50 per mensem.

(2) An Accountant from the Account Office on Rs. 100 per mensem.

(3) Two clerks on Rs. 40-70 each.

(4) One typist on Rs. 25-50.

(5) Two peons on Rs. 9-1/6-11 each.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (Neyyattinkara): With reference to part (a), may I know whether Government will be pleased to give effect to the revision at least in a couple of months' time?

MR. K. GEORGE (Chief Secretary to Government): Government will try to do so.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (Neyyattinkara): With regard to part (c), may I know whether the Government have sanctioned that recommendation?

MR. K. GEORGE (Chief Secretary to Government): Not yet.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (Neyyattinkara): With regard to the answer to part (c) again, may I also know whether the special staff is intended to be a touring committee also?

MR. K. GEORGE (Chief Secretary to Government): No, I do not think that it is so intended.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (Neyyattinkara): But provisions seem to have been made for T. A. also.

MR. K. GEORGE (Chief Secretary to Government): Yes, only for one man. I believe it is only for the Inspector.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (Neyyattinkara): So, he is intended to tour the country?

MR. K. GEORGE (Chief Secretary to Government): That is the idea which the Director has at present.

The Kanapattam Bill.

204. MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (Mavelikara cum Kartikapalli): (1) Are the Government aware:

(a) that the Kanappattam Bill, leave to introduce which was granted in the Vrishchikam meeting of the last Session of the Council, was not introduced in the Council at its last sitting owing to some technical defect in giving notice; and

(b) that a requisition signed by more than 90 per cent of the non-official members was presented to the Dewan on the last day of the last meeting stating that, as the Kanapattam Bill was an important and urgent measure, a meeting of the Council should be held in Edavam or Mithunam for introducing that Bill?

(2) Will they be pleased to state:

(a) whether they have considered that requisition in all its aspects, and, if so, the order passed thereon; and

(b) whether they intend to allot a larger number of days for non-official business during the Budget Session or to hold a meeting of the Council in Chingam or Kanni for introducing the Kanapattam Bill?